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Charles Butterfield  
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Dear Mr. Butterfield:

On behalf of Chadron State College (CSC), I am writing this letter in support of the Department of Applied Sciences Ag program. I feel that CSC offers an affordable education and provides students with the knowledge they need to succeed in their future careers.

I received a Bachelor of Arts degree from CSC in May of 2002 in rangeland management. The educational program and hands on learning offered by CSC was a priceless investment in my future. I currently own and operate my own ranch in the Sandhills of Nebraska. The knowledge that I learned at CSC about range management and animal science has helped me to be successful with a commercial cow-calf operation. With a currently challenging livestock market and the unforgiving grass ecosystem of the Sandhills, I have felt very equipped to tackle these everyday battles with the skills that I learned at CSC.

This funding would allow CSC to obtain important equipment to continue providing leading edge educational opportunities to students from all around the world. Your consideration for CSC's request would be greatly appreciated by all the current students, faculty and alumni of CSC.

Sincerely,

Casey Redman  
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